

# House of Representatives

## *Chamber Action*

**Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced:** 19 public bills, H.R. 9305–9323; and 9 resolutions, H. Res. 1473–1481, were introduced. **Pages H8540–42**

**Additional Cosponsors:** **Pages H8542–43**

**Reports Filed:** Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 404, to improve the management of driftnet fishing, with an amendment (H. Rept. 117–561);

H.R. 570, to require operators of offshore oil and gas facilities to report failures of critical systems to the Secretary of the Interior, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 117–562);

H.R. 667, to authorize the Secretary of Health and Human Services, acting through the Director of the Indian Health Service, to acquire private land to facilitate access to the Desert Sage Youth Wellness Center in Hemet, California, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 117–563, Part 1);

H.R. 1415, to amend the Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972 to authorize grants to Indian Tribes to further achievement of Tribal coastal zone objectives, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 117–564);

H.R. 1733, to amend the Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Act of 1977 to provide funds to States and Indian tribes for the purpose of promoting economic revitalization, diversification, and development in economically distressed communities through the reclamation and restoration of land and water resources adversely affected by coal mining carried out before August 3, 1977, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 117–565);

H.R. 1734, to amend the Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Act of 1977 to allow the Secretary of the Interior to delegate certain emergency reclamation activities to the States and Tribes, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 117–566, Part 1);

H.R. 2026, to assist in the conservation of highly endangered amphibian species in foreign countries, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 117–567);

H.R. 2444, to establish Fort San Gerónimo del Boquerón in Puerto Rico as an affiliated area of the National Park System, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 117–568);

H.R. 2512, to amend the National Trails System Act to designate the Chisholm National Historic Trail and the Western National Historic Trail, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 117–569);

H.R. 2551, to designate and adjust certain lands in the State of Utah as components of the National

Wilderness Preservation System, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 117–570);

H.R. 2872, to establish an integrated national approach to respond to ongoing and expected effects of extreme weather and climate change by protecting, managing, and conserving the fish, wildlife, and plants of the United States, and to maximize Government efficiency and reduce costs, in cooperation with State, local, and Tribal Governments and other entities, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 117–571);

H.R. 3228, to direct the Secretary of Commerce, acting through the Administrator of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, to improve science, data, and services that enable sound decision making in response to coastal flood risk, including impacts of sea level rise, storm events, changing Great Lakes water levels, and land subsidence, with an amendment (H. Rept. 117–572, Part 1);

H.R. 3540, to reauthorize the Chesapeake Bay Office of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 117–573);

H.R. 4458, to establish a grant program within the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration to award grants to eligible entities for the purpose of carrying out projects on the conservation, restoration, or management of kelp forest ecosystems, with an amendment (H. Rept. 117–574);

H.R. 4494, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to acquire land in Frederick County, Maryland, for the Historic Preservation Training Center of the National Park Service, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 117–575);

H.R. 4677, to direct restoration and protection of the New York-New Jersey watersheds and estuaries hydrologically connected to New York-New Jersey Harbor, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 117–576);

H.R. 5345, to authorize the Director of the United States Geological Survey to establish a regional program to assess, monitor, and benefit the hydrology of saline lakes in the Great Basin and the migratory birds and other wildlife dependent on those habitats, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 117–577);

H.R. 6142, to amend the National Trails System Act to direct the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a study on the feasibility of designating the Buckeye Trail as a national scenic trail, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 117–578);

H.R. 6199, to revise the boundary of the Ste. Genevieve National Historical Park in the State of

Missouri, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 117–579);

S. 2923, to improve the Fishery Resource Disaster Relief program of the National Marine Fisheries Service, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 117–580); and

Committee on Rules. Ending Hunger in America: Challenges, Opportunities and the Political Will to Succeed (H. Rept. 117–581). **Page H8540**

**Speaker:** Read a letter from the Speaker wherein she appointed Representative Cuellar to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H8509**

**Recess:** The House recessed at 10:56 a.m. and reconvened at 12 noon. **Page H8515**

**Speak Out Act:** The House passed S. 4524, to limit the judicial enforceability of predispute nondisclosure and nondisparagement contract clauses relating to disputes involving sexual assault and sexual harassment, by a yea-and-nay vote of 315 yeas to 109 nays, Roll No. 480. **Pages H8518–25**

H. Res. 1464, the rule providing for consideration of the bill (S. 4524) was agreed to yesterday, November 15th.

**Senate Referrals:** S.J. Res. 63 was held at the desk. S. 4834 was held at the desk. **Page H8536**

**Senate Messages:** Message received from the Senate by the Clerk and subsequently presented to the House today and message received from the Senate today appear on pages H8517–18 and H8536.

**Quorum Calls—Votes:** One yea-and-nay vote developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H8524–25.

**Adjournment:** The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 4:31 p.m.

## Committee Meetings

### OVERSIGHT OF PRUDENTIAL REGULATORS: ENSURING THE SAFETY, SOUNDNESS, DIVERSITY, AND ACCOUNTABILITY OF DEPOSITORY INSTITUTIONS

*Committee on Financial Services:* Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Oversight of Prudential Regulators: Ensuring the Safety, Soundness, Diversity, and Accountability of Depository Institutions”. Testimony was heard from Michael Barr, Vice Chairman of Supervision, Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System; Martin Gruenberg, Acting Chairman, Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation; Todd Harper, Chairman, National Credit Union Administration; and Michael Hsu, Acting Comptroller of the Currency, Office of the Comptroller of the Currency.

### RUSSIA’S WANING GLOBAL INFLUENCE

*Committee on Foreign Affairs:* Subcommittee on Europe, Energy, the Environment and Cyber held a hearing entitled “Russia’s Waning Global Influence”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

### MISCELLANEOUS MEASURE

*Committee on Natural Resources:* Full Committee held a markup on H. Res. 1378, of inquiry requesting the President and directing the Secretary of Agriculture to transmit, respectively, certain documents to the House of Representatives relating to Resolution Copper mine. H. Res. 1378 was ordered reported, as amended.

### JROTC: PROTECTING CADETS FROM SEXUAL ABUSE AND INSTRUCTOR MISCONDUCT

*Committee on Oversight and Reform:* Subcommittee on National Security held a hearing entitled “JROTC: Protecting Cadets from Sexual Abuse and Instructor Misconduct”. Testimony was heard from Thomas A. Constable, Acting Assistant Secretary of Defense for Manpower and Reserve Affairs, Department of Defense; Yvette K. Bourcicot, Acting Assistant Secretary of the Army for Manpower and Reserve Affairs, Department of the Army; Alex Wagner, Assistant Secretary of the Air Force for Manpower and Reserve Affairs, Department of the Air Force; and Robert D. Hogue, Acting Assistant Secretary of the Navy for Manpower and Reserve Affairs, Department of the Navy.

### THE HOLIDAY RUSH: IS THE POSTAL SERVICE READY?

*Committee on Oversight and Reform:* Subcommittee on Government Operations held a hearing entitled “The Holiday Rush: Is the Postal Service Ready?”. Testimony was heard from Tammy W. Hull, Inspector General, U.S. Postal Service; Gregory T. White, Executive Manager of Strategic Initiatives, U.S. Postal Service; and public witnesses.

### LEGAL AND PROCEDURAL FACTORS RELATED TO SEATING A CHEROKEE NATION DELEGATE IN THE U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Committee on Rules:* Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Legal and Procedural Factors Related to Seating a Cherokee Nation Delegate in the U.S. House of Representatives”. Testimony was heard from Mainon A. Schwartz, Legislative Attorney, Congressional Research Service, Library of Congress; and public witnesses.